

November 17, 1965

Executive Committee Meeting  
United Community Corporation  
124 Branford Place  
Newark, New Jersey

PRESENT: C. Willard Heckel, Presiding, Rabbi Jonathon Prinz, Mrs. Ceil Arons, Mr. Ed Kirk, Dr. T. Reynolds, Mr. Ken Gibson, Miss Hilda Hildago, Mr. Sid Reitman, Mrs. Estelle Pierce, Mr. Patrick Tobia for Msgr. Dooling, Mr. Tim Still, Mr. Irv Goldberg, Mr. Andrew Washington, Mr. Arthur Kaufman for the Mayor

STAFF: Mr. D. Wendell-Mr. James Blair--Mrs. Virginia Pelosi

VISITOR: Mr. Gatting, CAP Program, Waterbury, Connecticut

MINUTES OF

NOVEMBER 3---CORRECTION - Page 3- Paragraph 3 - Line # 4 from "Have not gotten it" --to "have gotten it"

MINUTES OF

NOVEMBER 10 --DEFERRED

RELATION OF  
TASK FORCES,  
PROGRAM  
COMMITTEE

AND BOARD  
TO PROPOSALS: - Two packets of material were received by members of the Board. These included evaluations of proposals by UCC staff, relevant task forces and the Program Committee.

A question was raised as to whether the Program Committee had the authority to defer proposals that they felt were not, at this point, worthy of submission to the Board of Trustees. They recommended that these proposals be sent back to the Sponsoring Agencies for reworking.

However, varying views arose as to the procedures that must be followed with regard to proposals.

The position of the Executive Director, relayed through the Associate Director, is that all proposals must be passed on to the Board of Trustees, along with the recommendations of the Program Committee.

Some members failed to see the rationale behind this procedure. They felt that if the Program Committee had not finished their deliberations on these proposals, there was no sense in sending them on to the Board for the pros and cons to be argued there.

The disagreement voiced by some members on this statement was the mention of the Summer Neighborhood Block and Recreation Program which was rushed through to the Board even though people had great reservations on this proposal. However, it was brought out that the Summer Neighborhood Block Proposal was funded because of pressure from Washington strictly in keeping with the theory of the "Long Hot Summer", something to be avoided at all costs. This program was felt to be a deterrent to the spontaneous riots that were occurring all over the country during the summer, and therefore the haste in funding and giving residents something constructive during these "apprehensive" times. It was also noted that while the Block Program was funded, at the same time four other proposals that came in with it, were deferred to the regular U. C.C. process.

There was a question of whether the Sponsoring Agencies had been given the opportunity to tighten up their proposals at the various evaluation levels. It was noted that they received copies of the evaluations and they can be called in at the Task Force Level.

SUGGESTED  
REVISION OF  
PROCEDURES  
OF PROGRAM  
COMMITTEE

A meeting was had by the Chairwoman of the Program Committee along with the Executive Director and Associate Director. It was suggested that perhaps the Task Forces could evaluate the proposals before their being passed on to the Program Committee. A report of this meeting will be passed on to the Executive Committee.

RULING OF THE  
PRESIDENT:

Suggested procedure would be for Chairman of the Program Committee to make a motion at the Board Meeting of November 18th to defer action on four proposals that they felt were not ready for submission, to a recessed meeting of the Board which would be held December 2. This recessed meeting would also be for the purpose of clarification of general procedure on proposals.

REPORT OF  
BUDGET  
COMMITTEE;

Chairman of Budget Committee reported that even though they met this afternoon, their review has not been completed to the point where they felt that they could make a recommendation. Asked that Budget and Finance Committee report also be deferred to December 2nd recessed meeting.

It was brought out that deferrment of this Budget would put UCC in a very serious bind. If the Budget were not approved at the November 18th Board Meeting, the time scheduling in having it approved by the UCC Board and then Washington Red Tape, might not meet the deadline of December 31st at which time the present budget expires.

CITY BUDGET

REPRESENTATION: Representative of City speaking for the two Budget Members of UCC Finance Committee stated that these two members would not cast an affirmative vote because of technicalities.

Another Budget and Finance Meeting is to be held on November 18th at 4:30 P. M. at the Boys Club in Newark so that this budget might be finalized and presented at the Board Meeting at 7:00 P. M.

It was suggested that telegrams be sent to both Budget Members who were in Atlantic City at the time and also to the Executive Director who was at a Washington Conference to attend this urgent Budget Meeting.

Respectfully submitted

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